



Colorado Scenic and Historic Byways Commission Meeting NOTES

Wednesday, September 17, 2014, 10 a.m. to Noon

Location: History Colorado, 1200 Broadway, Denver CO 80203 (Enter door off of Lincoln)

Room: The Stephen H. Hart Library and Research Center classroom

Food is not permitted in classrooms and liquids must be in a spill-proof container.

Conference Call Option (RSVP required): 1-877-820-7831 (passcode 321805#)

Commission:

Chris Spurl, USDA Forest Service (absent)
Margaret Hunt, Colorado Creative Industries (absent)
Georgi Contiguglia, Member at Large (present)
Roger Ben Wilson, Western Byways (present)
Leah Quesenberry, BLM Representative (present)
Shannon Gifford, Transportation Commission (absent)
Lyn Deal, Eastern Byways (absent)
Greg Yankee, Conservation/Open Space Rep (On phone)
Robert Mutaw, History Colorado (absent)
Senator Jeanne Nicholson, State Legislature (absent)
Kelly Barbello, Colorado Tourism Office (absent)

EX-OFFICIO Members:

Don Hunt, Executive Director of Dept. of Transportation (absent)
Edward Nichols, President, History Colorado (absent)
Mike King, Executive Director of Dept. of Natural Resources (absent)
Stephanie Troller for Reeves Brown, Executive Director of Dept. of Local Affairs (absent)

Commission Alternates:

Charlotte Bumgarner, Gold Belt Tour National Scenic and Historic Byway (absent)
Cynthia Nieb, History Colorado, State Historical Fund/for Edward Nichols (absent)
Jack Placchi, BLM/for Leah Quesenberry (absent)

Colorado Dept. of Transportation:

Debra Perkins-Smith, CDOT DTD Division Manager (Invited) (absent)
Lenore Bates, Colorado Scenic and Historic Byways Program Manager (present)

Agenda

1. Introductions & Announcements (5 minutes)

- a. Greg – Stepping down of the CCLT on September 30. Would there be another person at CCLT be able to step in? Greg would like to stay if he get another position within conservation.
 - b. Leah – Gold Belt Tour is having their 25th Anniversary on Monday, September 22. Several people from BLM will attend. Alpine Loop’s Anniversary was featured in BLM’s Newsletter. October 9th celebration for Garden Park Fossil Area (N of Canon City on Shelf Road).
2. Vice/Co-Chair Updates (5 minutes)
- a. Roger
 - i. Looked at the West Elk Loop Extension for Marble.
 - ii. Frying Pan Road Interest
 - iii. ACTION: create a letter to the Federal Representatives – Prior to lame duck starting
3. National Scenic Byway Foundation Update (5 minutes)
- a. Historic Roads Conference
 - b. Historic Roads
4. State Program’s Next Steps & Strategic Plan: (1 hour 30 minutes) Intent to vote on the process at the next meeting. Public – discourage (Roger 3 Items for next time, nominating process, period review things that we review (annual reports, review process), strategic plan)
- a. Criteria
 - i. Roger is there a review before a nomination
 - ii. STEP 1 Letter of Intent, Map, Points of Interest (2 pages) STEP 1, Statement of Significance, Possible Partners, Resources, Funding (What organization do you think will spearhead this conceptual plan?) – Scoring FEEDBACK 1 to 3 months. How much does a CMP cost, do you need an attorney, ...
 - iii. Presentation - Scoring
 - iv. Tour – Address the criteria, talk about local support (meeting/stopping point), visitor amenities, features of the byway, road conditions, existing signage and other visitor information, trailheads – Scoring (scoring/comment sheet)
 - b. Nominations & Conceptual Plan - Organizational/Agency Commitment, Identify who is going to carry on next few years, Financial, Letters of Support taking responsibility to get it done, (Signs Initial Installation and Maintenance,) generally the county(ies) should be listed as a support
 - c. Formal approval of nomination
 - d. Byway Commission recommends to Transportation Commission
 - e. Resolution/Agenda on Transportation Commission/Presentation to Commission
 - f. Designation
 - g. Corridor Management Plan, identify organization and finance plan

- h. Timeframe of process for candidates (letter of intent, six months to schedule tour, month of scoring, ..., 5 year update)
 - i. Partnership Values
 - j. Champions
 - k. Annual Reporting, Statistical Part (Main Street Data, Ohio Annual Report), Deadline July 31
 - l. Commission Annual Report – Deadline September 30 (Driven by CDOT's report to the legislature)
 - m. Funding/Feasibility/Finance Organization
 - n. Partnerships
 - o. Strategic Plan (Review the process every _ 5 months)
5. Recap & Next Meeting (15 minutes)
- a. Next Meeting Wednesday, October 22, 2014 10 to noon
 - b. Set next year's meeting dates (Proposed set of dates)
 - c. Discuss a moratorium on letters of interest/nominations until a call is announced
 - d. Recruit/Renew Commission members (List online)
 - e. Discuss Tracks Across the Borders Tour
 - f. Approve Nominating Process
 - g. Review periods for items that need review (annual reports, review process),
 - h. Strategic plan draft

Program Vision:

Guiding travelers to experience and be inspired by treasured places that comprise Colorado's Scenic and Historic Byways. (Commission Approved 5/14/13)

Commission Mission:

The Commission is a partnership to evaluate and designate the state's Scenic and Historic Byways and to develop and recommend funding sources and provide administrative support to sustain the byways for future generations. (Commission Approved 12/7/12)

Program Definition:

The Colorado Scenic and Historic Byways program is a statewide partnership intended to provide recreational, educational, and economic benefits to Coloradans and visitors by designating, interpreting, protecting, and promoting a system of outstanding touring routes in Colorado.

2014 Meetings Dates & Times:

History Colorado

Tuesday, January 14, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Heckendorn Library, 3rd Floor

Tuesday, May 13, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm The Stephen H. Hart Library and Research Center classroom

Wednesday, July 16, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm The Stephen H. Hart Library and Research Center classroom

(NEW) Wednesday, September 17, 2014, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The Stephen H. Hart Library

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